

## Church News.

### FROM LEON, IOWA.

DEAR EVANGELIST:—It has been some time since our church was reported through the paper but we have not been idle. Sister Flora came to Leon, Sept. 29, and began a protracted meeting the 30, and continued until Oct. 18. It was one of the grandest revivals ever held in this community. Bro. Flora came on Tuesday after the meeting began and we all began in earnest. It was victory from the start until the close and nearly every night some precious souls came forward until thirty-three had come out and confessed Christ; thirty-one were baptized and one received by relation. Counting those who have been baptized recently and those reported in the EVANGELIST last month makes thirty-seven additions to our membership in the last two months. We had twenty-nine before which swells our congregation to sixty-six. It is not our aim to boast of numbers by giving those figures but to prove that by earnest endeavor on the part of God's children many souls may be brought home.

We cannot refrain from speaking something complimentary to the servants of God, who conducted the meeting. They are just at home in the revival work and by their daily walk and conversation prove to the world that they believe in "practicing what they preach." We do not believe that our revival is, in reality, closed yet but that many more who are seriously thinking will come.

Our meetings closed on the 18th with one of the most pleasant communions that we ever attended. Though the weather was very bad nearly all of the members were out. About sixty persons counting visiting brethren and sisters were at the table and all seemed to enjoy the love feast in the fullest sense of the word. Next Sunday is Sister Flora's next regular appointment here. Our meetings were so well attended that at several services some went home because they could not get in the house and we never saw such interested hearers before, which makes us believe that much more good will yet come of the work done in our midst. We would ask for the earnest prayers of all God's people for the success of Christ's cause in this part of his vineyard, and we will give our leader and preserver all the honor.

Yours in love,  
M. P. GARBER.

### FROM GLENFORD, OHIO.

Our protracted meeting closed last night. There were nine additions by baptism. On the evening of Oct. 23rd, we held our communion which was much enjoyed by all present.

The attendance was the largest we have had for a long time and I am not sure that we ever had a better attendance.

The meetings have been a success, not only in the way of additions but in the strengthening of the membership spiritually. The good seed sown will bring forth fruit in time to come. Our pastor, J. M. Bowman, preached excellent sermons all through the meetings. The services could have been profitably continued, but it was thought best to close for a time.

He will continue as pastor of this church and having but this one place, we expect to broaden our field of labor in this vicinity.

Since we reported last, brethren J. D. Findley and William Stutzman, of Johnstown, Pa., have moved into our midst and are doing business under the name of Findley & Stutzman. They will be quite a help in church work. We expect to make good use of J. D.'s musical ability. The sisters have not reported their work, so I suppose since we men are only allowed to talk, they will not object if we report for them. They organized an S. S. C. E., a short time before conference with seventeen charter members. They have already paid \$30. on the church debt and are now planning to raise more funds.

The entire membership of the church is encouraged to renewed efforts and we hope to still accomplish much more.

C. E. DEFFENBAUGH.

### FROM BROOKLYN, IOWA.

DEAR EDITOR:—Perhaps I could get along without the church paper but I believe I would miss the best part of the church if I did. There are so many able writers and we can read their letters while sitting quietly at home.

I love to hear Bro. and Sister Flora talk to us. And I love the paper too and I think all would if they would read it enough to get acquainted with the writers by letter or written sermons. I would like to hear the signs of the times discussed, by some of our good writers, in the paper. I think it would be very interesting for those that are looking for the soon coming of Christ.

Yours in love,  
MRS. E. A. HULSE.

### FROM GARWIN, IOWA.

DEAR EVANGELIST:—As we, the Garwin Congregation of the Brethren church wish to be remembered, occasionally through your columns, we would say for the benefit of those that are interested, that at our last business meeting which was held at the close of last year, we succeeded in procuring the services of our beloved pastor, Brother Fetter Hall, (who served us so faithfully during the past year) as our pastor for the ensuing year.

We have preaching once in two weeks. Brother C. K. Strong was elected secretary, Bro. W. C. Thomas treasurer. Our elders are Bros. W. C. Thomas and C. Ebersole; our deacons are Bros. H. J. Marsh and I. Shelton; church reporter, F. M. Chase.

We are contemplating holding a protracted effort for a revival of the grace of God in this community some time this fall, as soon as we can procure the services of a minister for that purpose.

F. M. CHASE.

### FROM MISSOURI.

EDITOR EVANGELIST:—It is with infinite pleasure that we are permitted to report the proceedings of the communion meeting of our congregation at Walnut Grove, Cedar Co., Mo., which was held on the night of October 13. We are afforded this pleasure, by the request of our beloved pastor, S. B. Leedy. As we reflect, we are convinced that God, with a bountiful hand has thrown many pleasant conditions around His people. That we, the people of this advanced age; in a land of freedom, light, love and liberty; in a land that is a friend to Christ's religion; can gather around His sacred table and partake of the emblems of His broken body and His blood that was shed for the transgression of mankind, without fear of being molested by worldly hinderances. Ah! it was not the case with His faithful followers during the early days of His glorious gospel. To confess Him meant, in most instances, a martyr's doom. But behold them, amid the privations and scoffings of a sin darkened world, fighting their way onward and upward until they scaled the heights of all opposing obstacles, and planted, with firm hope the glorious gospel banner of our blessed Redeemer—that gospel banner is still waving for us. Let us take a retrospective glance, through the vista of years, to that eventful night upon which our Lord and Master instituted His holy supper. See him as he takes the bread, bless and break it and give it to His faithful disciples, symbolical of His body so soon to be broken for sinful man. Behold the cup—a symbol of the blood so soon to be shed for the remission of sins. Yes see He is washing His disciple's feet, thereby portraying the humility that characterized Him during His ministry here on earth. "This do in remembrance of me" and "if you know these things happy are you if you do them" comes to us clear and distinct. Then let us not miss the divine interpretation. Brothers Allen and Bowman favored us with their presence and gave us some splendid discourses Sunday and Sunday night following our communion. Brother and sister Showalter, of Fair Play, Mo., Brother and Sister Garst, of Jasper Co., Mo., and Sister Annie Showalter, of Adrian, Mo., blessed us with their presence. Thirty-four partook of this sacred supper. Brother and sister Deardorff connected themselves to our class by relation. Sunday evening before night meeting a counsel meeting was held and the undersigned brothers were chosen deacons. May each realize the solemnity of those communion meetings. May we feel of a truth that it is in memory of Him who gave us the example that we might do as He had done—happy are we if we do them.

May we, as His children, prove to the world and all around us, that we are worthy to be called a child of His, by closely adhering to the sacred teachings, as we find them chronicled on the pages of the Book of books—His blessed Bible. We are yours in the cause of Christ.

J. B. LEEDY,  
W. S. KOKENDORFER.  
Montevall, Mo.

### FROM COLORADO.

DEAR BROTHER EDITOR:—I will try to write a few lines for the Brethren paper. This is a very pleasant and healthy country. We have a nice interesting Sunday School but we have no church in our town. The nearest church is twenty miles away. I believe if we had a preacher in here and could have meetings, that great good could be done. Dear Brother, if you know of a good minister that would like to come to Colorado to live, send him in here for we need good work very bad. We are eighty miles from a railroad; but this is a good place to make a living.

Yours Truly,  
MRS. ELLA B. MEGDEN.

### SPIRITUAL GLEANINGS.

DEAR EVANGELIST:—As we wait at Tiosa on our way to State Conference, we drop this line after a long silence. As we meet different brethren and sisters they often say to us: "We don't see your name in the EVANGELIST. Will you explain?" Yes, that is just what I am going to do now. Our brethren requested that we appoint a regular correspondent whose duty it was to give a monthly report of the doing and prosperity of their respective congregations which we think was a move in the right direction and we enjoy it ever so much. We read this part first because it does us so much good to hear of the prosperity of the blessed cause of our divine Master and the strengthening of our beloved brotherhood.

This arrangement has taken a work off of our hands that we felt was our duty to perform until the change was made, and now we are released from that and we have so many able writers that are superior to us that we have to remain silent. Our ministerial labors for the past year seemingly has been about all we could carry; for this reason we have remained silent. At the close of the Conference year we dropped the Bethel church in Adams Co., and this was an unpleasant task to us. We had been with them two years, made many happy acquaintances, formed many Christian ties that nothing but death can sever and yet we had to say farewell. Yet we believe we parted with the best of feelings, hoping to meet in the final meeting of all the redeemed, if no more in this life. We remain with the New Highland and Burnes' Chapel Brethren another year, on the second and fourth Sundays in each month. The first Sunday with the Tiosa brethren. Am yet unsettled where I will be the third. And now Brother Gnagey